



submitted under Rule 7.” Id.; see Maynard v. Dixon, 943 F.2d 407, 412–13 (4th Cir. 1991). The rule does not provide for a jury trial. To the extent Jackson requests appointment of counsel, see [D.E. 5] 1, no right to counsel exists in habeas corpus actions. See, e.g., Pennsylvania v. Finley, 481 U.S. 551, 555 (1987). Nonetheless, the court may appoint counsel if it determines that “the interests of justice so require.” 18 U.S.C. § 3006A(a)(2)(B). This action does not present legally complex issues, and Jackson has set forth his claims adequately. Thus, the interests of justice do not require the appointment of counsel. Accordingly, the court denies Jackson’s request for appointed counsel.

In sum, the court allows the petition to proceed, and DENIES petitioner’s motion for a jury trial [D.E. 5]. The clerk is directed to maintain management of the action in accordance with the district plan.

SO ORDERED. This 24 day of May 2014.

  
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JAMES C. DEVER III  
Chief United States District Judge